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ACCORDING to a frequently noticed, but as yet imperfectly understood rule in vital statistics, that periods of great national excitement, or during which a nation is called on to make an unusual display of national energy, are frequently, if not invariably, accompanied by an increased birth-rate, it might be anticipated that the population of Japan is a rapidly increasing one. This is amply borne out by statistics. From the beginning of 1873 to 1905 the population of the Empire proper, excluding Formosa or residents out of the Islands, increased from 33 millions to nearly 48 millions, or as near as may be fifty per cent. At the latter date density of the population amounted to as nearly as possible 322 per square mile, which considering that owing to the mountainous nature of the country, more than half the land is forest, or otherwise untitled, must be taken as an unusually high rate. This, however, does not include the whole of the increase. During the last eight years the population of Formosa had grown by six hundred thousand, of whom practically the whole were Japanese, while continually greater numbers have since 1880 been settling in Korea, and since the war in Liaotung, and for the last two years since the fighting with Russia, the Japanese settlers in Kirin are becoming a by no means unimportant element in the population of Manchuria. This growth of an outer Japan is in effect one of the more marked developments in

the Far East, and constitutes an element which politically cannot be lost sight of. In Shanghai, where but a few years ago the number of Japanese residents within the settlements was insignificant, the Japanese population now ranks next to the English; and as it is being recruited at a more rapid rate it may be anticipated that it will soon constitute the largest element in the foreign population. Even in the densely populated districts along the Yangtze valley, where it might be anticipated that room did not exist for a single inhabitant over and above the present number, the Japanese succeed in obtaining a foot-hold, and scarcely a town in the interior of China is too remote or too insignificant, but that under one form or other a search will unearth a little colony of Japanese, each of whom to the utmost of his personal ability is engaged in promoting the influence and interests of his own country. Lately *Engineering* has been drawing attention to these most recent exemplifications of the increasing population of Japan in *paribus*, and its remarks are worth quoting:—

"We learn that arrangements are being made not only for the utilisation of the resources of the territories which have come under the influence of Japan, but also for the settlement of large numbers of Japanese in them. The system of colonisation adopted by the Japanese in Korea has also been introduced in Manchuria on a considerable scale. Japanese civilians have been permitted to enter the country freely, and Antung, Fenghuangcheng, Mukden, Dalny and Newchwang have already become populous Japanese cities. Newchwang, where there were only about 100 Japanese before the war, and 1,000 a year ago, has now 6,000 Japanese inhabitants, and this number is being further swelled by the arrival of from 50 to 100 immigrants daily. The military authorities are working a light railway between Antung and Fenghuangcheng. In early summer these places had a population of more than 5,000 each, and they are still growing. Representatives of many large Japanese firms engaged in various enterprises have been investigating the possibilities of the country, and are impressed with its wealth."

It is true, as *Engineering* remarks, that "we cannot complain of this, for economic conditions and efficiency of work and organisation ultimately decide the industrial position of any country. Our economic conditions are rapidly changing—at least relatively to those of other countries—and our efficiency has lost much of the advantage it once showed over that of some of our competitors. Our evident duty is to make the most of our resources and to maintain our efficiency at the highest possible standard." Of course, we cannot restrain this overflowing of a rapidly growing country, nor is there in the phenomenon itself anything to excite alarms. Looking at the movement from the outside it is distinctly in our favour. The introduction of industries in a new country of itself cannot but be advantageous to our trade in the long run; and Manchuria with a large element in its population of energetic workers must necessarily be more profitable than Manchuria under the sifful and disorderly management of China. Were we in a position to adopt with Japan the rôle of settlers in this new and hitherto neglected country, we might make a struggle to compete, but the nature of the case shuts out competition of this kind. None the less, it is doubtful if we have taken to heart fully the new situation. We have, there is little doubt, been too content to accept without challenge the position that our economic conditions in regard to other countries are rapidly changing, and to assume as inevitable the result that our efficiency has lost its former advantages; we are, in fact, permitting ourselves to descend from the standard of an industrial to a mere shop-keeping nation. In regard to this we may learn much from the Japanese. It is quite true that the Japanese settler in himself is little more than a petty shopkeeper, but he possesses in a remarkable degree the power of organisation, and organises in his new country his household as if he were in Japan; his servants, even, down to the most menial offices, are all Japanese, and every one engaged however remotely in business or household is of his own nationality. His household, in fact, forms an outpost of a great industrial army of occupation, and like a regularly organised army is regularly supported from the main body, relieved at intervals, and regularly visited by trained and commissioned officers from the home industrial associations. It is indeed in the organisation of these latter

that the greater part of the success of the system resides. They not only assist the settler in his financial arrangements, but they make themselves through his instrumentality intimately acquainted with the requirements of any particular district, and report to the home bodies so that the want may be at once supplied; or if not at the moment manufactured the home bodies will, if the demand seem sufficient at once set about its production. In the same manner the productions of any district are made known in Japan in the shortest possible time, and if any commend themselves the home organisations know where to lay their hand on it instantly. Even without government aid or subsidies of any sort, the Japanese merchant in his national talent for organisation possesses a most powerful engine for advancing the national trade. But the Government does aid, and that sometimes very successfully. Practically all the larger and very many of the smaller lines, railway or steamboat, are subsidised, and are able to accept lower rates from Japanese. This is not always done openly, but is managed in many indirect ways not always apparent. Trade and the encouragement of national industries are in fact the buttresses of the Japanese system, and it is under this system of modified and thinly veiled protection that Japan is rapidly becoming the most important factor, not merely in the politics, but in the industry of Eastern Asia. From neither point of view can we afford to shut our eyes to the remarkable growth of extra-insular Japan; though comparatively a small thing at present, yet even in its smallness not to be looked upon in trade or politics as a negligible quantity, the foundations are being laid deep for a future campaign having for its object the capture commercially as well as politically of the entire eastern seaboard of Asia. Well used we have nothing to lose in either particular, and may eventually make it fit in with our own aspirations political, social and commercial; but are we using it well, or is there any indication that we have the slightest inkling of its importance? One of the worst sequelae of the diseased Free-Trade of the Cobden Club is the indication it affords that we are rapidly as a nation losing the power of combination in commercial matters, and returning to the condition of each man for himself. In this respect the wonderful power of organisation, which more than anything else led to the success of the Japanese army in the field, is shown with equal clearness in the success which has attended their efforts to capture the commercial and industrial position. The victory at the polls of the opposite faction who would substitute for united action the disconnected units of personal opinion, however it may be according to first principles, is especially ill-timed at the present moment, when it comes in contact with the astonishing results of combined action.

Yesterday a Royal salute was fired on the occasion of the burial of the King of Denmark. H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. R. H. Croft to be Director of the Widows and Orphans' Pension Fund. At the January shoot for the Nicholson Cup, spoons were won by Bombardiers Blood and Daryl. It is considered likely that the Chinese Minister now at Washington, whose term of office has almost expired, will be retained for another term. During the absence on leave of General E. S. Bragg, Mr. W. T. Gracey, Vice and Deputy Consul-General, will be in charge of the Consulate General of the United States of America. Shipping on the West River has been much impeded by the fog which has hung over it during the last few days. Steamers from Canton and Macao were delayed considerably on Saturday morning. The plague return on Feb. 17th confirms our report that a European has been attacked by plague. The case is numbered 16, and occurred at No. 1, Beaconfield Arcade. Enquiry shows that the patient is at the Isolation Hospital, and said to be recovering. Since December 16th last the two Italians, whose extradition is demanded on a charge of murder at Mong Tze, Yunnan Province, have been remanded week after week owing to the delay in forwarding the necessary documents. These have now arrived and Mr. Hazeland, on Saturday fixed the hearing of the charge for Thursday next. The *Gazette* notifies that by a regulation made by the Governor in Council, any order, judgment, writ or other process made or issued by the Land Officer under the authority of section 7 of the New Territories Land Ordinance, 1905, may be executed by any bailiff of the Supreme Court, or by any other fit person named for the purpose by the Land Officer.

A prisoner being brought from North Borneo to Hongkong, en route to China, where he was "wanted," kept aboard as the *Mau Sang* was passing Lyeomun Pass, with the intention of committing suicide. A pilot boat was in the vicinity and its occupants rescued the shackle Chinaman, who was on Saturday brought up before Mr. Hazeland at the Magistracy and remanded.

The programme of music to be performed by the band of the 129th Baluchis on the new parade ground on Monday from 4 to 5.30 p.m. is as follows:—Aria, "Lasia Di Lammemoor," Donizetti; Polka, "The Dragoons," Fahrbach; Valse, "Ja Jeune Vienne," Ph. Fahrbach; Selection, "La Perichole," Offenbach; Romance, "Berli A. Amour," Robertson; Fantasia, "Mitternachts Boquet," Kappey.

The *Nanyangpao* says that H.E. Chang Yin-tang, Special Chinese Commissioner for negotiating the Tibetan Treaty, has wired to the Waiwup stating that since the resumption of treaty negotiations, the specially-appointed British Commissioner has shown a quite conciliatory attitude, but the Indian Viceroy demands that Great Britain shall have the right to all mining and railway privileges in Tibet, and that not only shall other nations be barred from sharing these privileges, but China herself must consult Great Britain before participating therein; and that the negotiations will not be concluded on any other basis. The Waiwup is requested to wire instructions about the matter, but it has not done so yet.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

Feb. 16th.

CHINESE EDITORS REPRIMANDED. Yesterday the Nam-Hoi and Poon-Yu Magistrates sent invitation cards to all the editors of the local press, to attend at a private meeting to be held at the Nam Hoi Magistracy. It is rumoured that they have received instructions from the Viceroy to reprimand them for their hostile attitude against the Government in connection with the recent troubles about the railway.

DR. BEATTIE'S A-SAILANTS. Capt. Lan Kai-cheng sent a force of brave in charge of a petty officer Ho Tin-leung to Fa-Ti to search for the robbers who recently ransacked Dr. Beattie's house. Information having reached Ho that the gang was in hiding at Shek Wai-Tung, he immediately went to the place indicated with twenty brave and surrounded the house. A fight ensued, during which guns and revolvers were freely used. Four of the gang were ultimately captured and are now at the military station awaiting trial.

Another gang entered last night a mission house close to Dr. Beattie's residence. After looking over the premises they left without taking anything away with them.

At about 11 o'clock last night a robber was caught at the French Consulate. He was in hiding under the roof. The Viceroy will no doubt give short shrift to these desperadoes, who are becoming more and more daring.

MR. LAI'S RELEASE. I have just telegraphed to you that Lai Kwai-pui's release has been ordered by Imperial Edict. It is rumoured that the Viceroy used the following strategem to bring this about without losing face. He got the ex-President of the Chamber of Commerce, a man called Tso, to petition to the Throne, saying that Lai regretted what he had done and praying that he be released and his rank and titles returned to him. The petition purported to represent the wish of the Chamber of Commerce, hence the issuing of the Imperial Edict.

Lai Kwai-pui will be released this afternoon and will receive a grand send-off from his prison. He will be received afterwards at the Chamber of Commerce with great ceremony.

GERMAN EMIGRATION.

According to the figures published by Mr. J. Wright, U. S. Consul at Munich, the Germans are the most numerous emigrants of any nationality. The total number of persons of German birth living in foreign countries is 3,029,512, and it is computed that there are 450,392 persons not of German birth but who would have acquired the rights of German citizens. Germans in the United States number 2,669,164; in Switzerland, 168,238; in Russia, 151,102; in Austria-Hungary, 106,364; in France, 90,746; in England, 53,402; in Australia, 42,671; in Belgium, 33,408; in Denmark, 33,961; in Holland, 31,654; in Canada, 27,302; in the Argentine Republic, 17,143; in Italy, 10,775; and in Japan, 662.

CRICKET.

KOWLOON V. ARMY STAFF.

This League match was played at Kowloon on Saturday afternoon, and resulted in a win for the former. The soldiers batted first and were dismissed for 54. Dickson getting seven wickets for 23 and Martin three for 31. Kowloon's stumps went down very quickly also, but Wittchell saved the situation by making 25 runs, a total of 91 being secured before the innings terminated.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The G. N. S. S. Co.'s str. *Minnesota*, from Seattle, arrived at Yokohama on Friday, the 16th inst., at 9 p.m.
The N. Y. K. str. *Yamato Maru* (Australia Line), left Nagasaki for this port on the 8th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 10th inst.
The C. P. R. str. *Empress of India* left Yokohama on Friday, the 16th Feb., p.m., for Victoria and Vancouver.
The I. G. M. str. *Princess Alice*, which left here on Wednesday, at 6 p.m., arrived at Shanghai on the 17th inst., at 7 a.m.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

POLITICAL.

LONDON, 15th February.

Mr. Balfour, in his election address, says that a detailed explanation of his views is not needed, as his opinions are well known, and recent events have made no change in them.

THE UNIONIST PARTY.

LONDON, February 15th.

Mr. Balfour, presided at a Unionist meeting yesterday, at which 500 were present, including the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Curzon, Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Hugh Cecil; the Unionists unanimously passed a vote of confidence in Mr. Balfour, cordially supported by Mr. Chamberlain; the Duke of Devonshire, however, indicated his inability to agree with the fiscal policy. The Duke of Devonshire will shortly summon a meeting of Unionists and Free Traders.

Mr. Balfour, writing to Mr. Chamberlain, holds that Fiscal reform must remain the first constructive work of the Unionists, and says that he considers a moderate general tariff on manufactured goods and a small duty on foreign corn as unobjectionable in principle. Mr. Chamberlain, in his reply, says that he entirely agrees with Mr. Balfour, and gladly accepts the policy indicated by Mr. Balfour, and places his services at Mr. Balfour's disposal.

EARTHQUAKE IN COLOMBIA.

LONDON, February 16th.

An earthquake has occurred in Colombia, the shocks lasted for a week, many towns in Northern Ecuador and Southern Colombia have been partially wrecked and hundreds have perished.

THE SITUATION IN CHINA.

LONDON, February 16th.

Mr. Conger, the United States ex-Minister to China, believes that trouble in China is imminent, but that it will be anti-Manchu rather than anti-foreign.

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, February 16th.

It is stated that there are differences in the Cabinet on the subject of the proposed reference of the question of the Chinese in the Transvaal to the legislature; the advanced section of the Cabinet protesting against such a breach of faith with the electors.

THE NATIVE TROUBLE IN NATAL.

LONDON, February 16th.

Two of the natives concerned in the recent murders have been court-martialled and shot in the presence of their tribe, and the kraals and crops of the natives implicated have been destroyed.

THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, February 16th.

The Washington Senate has passed a shipping bill for creating a naval volunteer force, and subsidising thirteen mail services, including those to China and Japan.

THE CHINESE IMPERIAL MISSION.

LONDON, February 16th.

The Chinese Imperial Mission has left the United States for Hamburg.

THE MOROCCO CONFERENCE.

LONDON, February 16th.

Berlin reports that mediation at Algiers is premature, as direct negotiations between France and Germany are not yet fruitless.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 17th at 12.5 a.m.—The barometer has risen slightly over N. China, and fallen over S. China and Japan.

The shallow sea of low pressure lying in the Eastern Sea yesterday is now to the E. of the Loochoos.

Pressure is high over N. China, and relatively low in S. China.

Moderate to fresh monsoon is indicated in the Formosa Channel, and light variable winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate E. winds; misty, some rain.

An experience little known in youth, but with which age becomes familiar, is the joy of seeing others accomplish what we have failed to achieve. The delight of contemplating their success, and admiring it, is one of the most radiant experiences of life. In youth and maturity one wished to accomplish so much oneself, that there was not time to contemplate the work of others with a genuinely sympathetic eye. It is the springtime of one's own humanity that could not be. But in old age, to witness the dawn of new achievements, to see fresh discoveries in germ, to become increasingly aware of the latent possibilities of our race, and to have a joyous forecast of the progress of humanity, is a delight superior to almost all that youth and maturity brought us.—William Knight in *The Academy*.

THE THIRD A. D. C. PERFORMANCE.

The theatre on Saturday night was again crowded, when the Hongkong A. D. C. played "Princess Toto" for the third time. The truest test of merit is, after all, the behaviour of such an audience (for there was no suspicion of a *claque*), and the performers are entitled to believe, after the enthusiastic reception at this performance, that they achieved as well as deserved success. Frequent encores protracted the play to a quarter after midnight, and even then the audience seemed eager for more. Floral offerings handed over the footlights are, as newspaper accounts of such matters sometimes have, to be, largely complimentary; but when a multitude of people sit and applaud for three hours and a quarter, it is not a compliment, but a testimonial. The blunders were so few, and the general excellence so great, that the former were forgotten, and the public impression of the whole one of entire satisfaction. An embarrassing incident occurred during the pretty dance by three ladies, the skirts of one of them falling from her waist; but the lady danced nimbly into the wings, leaving the other two to continue the "turn." Another lady, who evidently knew her part very well indeed, was unnecessarily distressed by an occasional and quite unimportant *lapsus lingue*, and should endeavour to go right on, without raising her hands to her face, with that gesture of embarrassment, which, though unattractively pretty, tends to emphasise the fact that we are listening to an actress, rather than to a princess. The same lady, however, may be said to be the life of the piece, and is a distinct acquisition to the A. D. C.'s long roll of talented principals whose value cannot be over-estimated. A gentleman soloist, in a minor part, forced his voice nautily; and would get more tuneful effect with less volume. Prince Doro is an excellent example for him to follow; his singing was always restrained and always graceful, because he did not attempt the fireworks of a stage tenor. The orchestral music is capital, and the gentlemen responsible for this important part of the entertainment deserve and receive high praise. If there are any readers who have not yet seen the piece, they should at once purchase seats, confident that they will be pleased with it.

THE SHANGHAI RIOT.

INTERESTING SEQUEL.

It may be remembered that the Mixed Court trouble arose out of a case in which a Chinese "lady" from Chungking was charged with taking a number of young girls to be sold as slaves. The Chinese magistrate proposed to remand her in Chinese custody; the British authorities wished to keep her in the custody of the British police.

The ostensible cause of the Chinese popular indignation was the presumption of the foreigners in thinking to detain a great lady. Mrs. Li was said to be a Cantonese lady of high degree, sister of a high official. She was said to be taking his body and effects home to Canton, under a special passport from the Tao-tai of Chungking. The slave girls whom she was supposed to have kidnapped were represented to be the customary retinue of a great lady.

The Consular Body were persuaded that a mistake had been made, and requested the Shanghai Municipal Council to withdraw the prosecution, and release the lady. This was done, without, however, averting the trouble.

It now appears that Mrs. Li's release was a great mistake. The only true part of her story was that she was an official's widow. But that official was a petty one, of the ninth grade, occupying the insignificant post of *weiguan* at Chungking. The property she carried was not his (he died poor) but her father-in-law's, the said father-in-law having thus disposed of his effects preparatory to a fraudulent bankruptcy. Her "special passport" was after all nothing more than the usual Customs check for baggage passing by water; it took no cognisance of her or of the members of her party. The Chungking people are annoyed about her father-in-law's fraudulent bankruptcy, as his indebtedness in Chungking was *Tls.* 18,000, and in Shanghai *Tls.* 30,000. They assert that the woman was not only helping this fraud, but that the girls she had with her were for sale for immoral purposes, even though she came by them honestly (i.e., by purchase). The *A. C. Daily News*, to whom we are indebted for the facts, comments: It was very well understood at the time that the fracas at the Mixed Court was prearranged by the Chinese, and that the case of Mrs. Li was used as the necessary pretext. It is very unlikely that Mr. Kuan, the magistrate, did not know her real rank and position, but of course it suited the local officials to make much of her at the moment in order to rouse the indignation of the Chinese community against the high-handed action of the British Assessors and the police. It is to be hoped that this will be a lesson to the Consular Body and others not to be so ready to interfere with the regular action of the government of the Settlement. It was their ill-judged interference which encouraged the organisers of the fracas at the Mixed Court to follow it up by a riot.

There are few things that bring in their train such a vengeance as sentimentalism. Exaggerated feeling is a species of drunkenness; it ripens a man for all manner of outbursts; it veils the truth, or rather smears a film over the eyes, a film that thickens to blindness. It nourishes those deep and strong instincts of the flesh that are never quite extinct in the severest of the race. Spiritual insight cannot co-exist with sentimentalism; a man who is given to it cannot endure hardness as a good soldier, he sees no reason why he should.—A. B. C. in *The Methodist Times*.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB
RACE MEETING.

THE OFF-DAY.

Although clouds still obscured the sun, and mist enshrouded the surrounding hills, weather conditions at Happy Valley on Saturday were considerably better than on any of the previous days of the races. The turf was a little harder, which made better times possible. The attendance was as large, and the excitement which prevailed as great as on the more important days. Between races, pleasing selections of music were played by the band of the Royal West Kents. Undoubtedly the surprise performance of this pony did not justify any confidence being placed in him; consequently, when the race started only 38 backers were on the outsider, who ran home an easy winner. His patrons drew the highest dividend paid for the day, \$103.10. H. E. the Governor arrived at the Valley shortly before the first race, and remained to the last.

THE "SPECULATION" CUP.—Presented. For all Subscription Grifflins that have run at this Meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced Ponies allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. Five Furlongs.

129th Baluchis Subalterns' Pathan, 11st 1lb (Mr Hamer) 1
Mr Medico's Sonoloid, 10st 12lb (Mr Hamer) 2
Mr Magpie's Velocity, 10st 7lb (Mr Johnston) 3
Mr T. F. Hough and Mr R. Shawan's Skirl, 10st 12lb (Mr Mackie) 0
Mr A. C. Hynes' Sirocco, 10st 12lb (Mr Johnston) 0

***Dead heat.**
A field of seven ponies faced the starter, Pathan taking the lead, with Rising Sun second. Going up the incline Sirocco pulled into second place, and Pathan increased his distance from the field by a couple of lengths. Approaching the village Sonoloid fell some distance behind the field, but by the time the straight was entered, made good the loss, gradually pulling ahead of the others and passing the winning post neck and neck with Pathan, while Velocity followed in third position some two lengths behind. Time 1.25.25. The Pari-Mutuel paid a dividend of \$26.90, and \$14.60 on the first pony, \$16.60 on the second, and \$66 on the third.

When it came to decide the dead heat between Pathan and Sonoloid at the interval between second and third races, Pathan led the greater way, but was passed half way up the straight. Sonoloid winning by about two lengths. Time 1.26.

THE VISITORS' CUP.—Presented. Value \$250. For all Grifflins that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins that have run at this Meeting and been placed second allowed 3 lb. Those that have been placed third allowed 5 lb. Unplaced Subscription Grifflins allowed 10 lb. Off-Day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. Once Round.

Mr D. Macdonald's Highland Chief, 10st 4lb (Mr Johnston) 1
Messrs T. F. Hough & R. Shawan's The Quail, 11st 4lb (Mr Mackie) 2
Mr Cruickshank's New Boy, 11st 1lb (Mr Alderton) 3
Mr Meifno's Eagle, 10st 5lb (Mr Dupree) 0
129th Baluchis Subalterns' Baluchi, 10st 3lb (Mr Hamer) 0

The field got a good start, Eagle and Baluchi in the van, with Highlandman bringing up the rear. When nearing the football stand Baluchi took the lead and New Boy drew level with Eagle, and succeeded in displacing Baluchi when near the rock. As the village was passed Highlandman made the running, while Eagle fell hopelessly to the rear. In response to the whip Johnston's mount showed his mettle coming up the straight, and won the race by about three lengths. The Quail being second and New Boy third. Time—2.11.3.5. Pari payments were: Highlandman \$9.70; The Quail, \$9.90; dividend, \$24.70.

THE "KING" CUP.—Presented. For all China ponies that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced ponies and dead heat Grifflins on date of entry allowed 5 lb. Subscription Grifflins of this and last seasons allowed 10 lb. Allowances not accumulative. Off-Day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. One mile and a half.

Mr Ellis Kadorie's Lucky Chief, 10st 10lb (Mr Johnston) 1
Father O'Flynn's Donnybrook, 11st 1lb (Mr Gresson) 2
Father O'Flynn's Drogheda, 10st 12lb (Mr Johnston) 3
Mr D. Macdonald's Highland Laird, 11st 1lb (Mr Alderton) 0

The field of four got a good start, Donnybrook in the lead, with Highland Laird second, Lucky Chief third and Drogheda in the rear. The order passing the judge's box for the first time was Donnybrook, Lucky Chief, Highland Laird, Drogheda. Passing the football stand Lucky Chief drew up to Donnybrook, and these two increased their lead from Highland Laird and Drogheda by about ten lengths. As they neared the village Lucky Chief passed Donnybrook, and Drogheda was urged on by Johnston and made a big bid for second place, being beaten by Donnybrook by half a length, Lucky Chief winning the race by five lengths. Time—3.44.1.5. The Pari paid on the first, \$13; 2nd, \$8.70; dividend \$23.20.

THE "ZEPHYR" CUP.—Presented. For Subscription Grifflins of this season that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced ponies during first three days allowed 5 lb. Off-Day placed ponies not penalised. Off-Day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. One mile and a quarter.

Mr Cruickshank's Red Herring, 10st 12lb (Mr Johnston) 1
Mr A. Babington's Rover, 10st 4lb (Mr Robertson) 2
Messrs T. F. Hough and R. Shawan's Promised Land, 10st 7lb (Mr Mackie) 3
H. E. the Governor's Shimoseito, 10st 10lb (Mr Leslie) 0
129th Baluchis Subalterns' Pathan, 11st 1lb (Mr Hamer) 0
Messrs T. F. Hough and R. Shawan's Halcyon Days, 10st 7lb (Mr Dupree) 0
Mr D. Macdonald's Highland Star, 10st 7lb (Mr Johnston) 0

A very good race. Halcyon Days led the bunch at the first, but soon gave place to Shimoseito, who headed the field till at the village, when he dropped into third place. Rover now claimed the premier position, while Red Herring, who had lain fourth or fifth all the way up to this point, came through the rock, and an exciting run down the straight with Rover ended in the favourite winning by a neck. Time—3.04. The Pari-Mutuel paid \$8.80, \$13.90, \$15.30 on the respective winners and a dividend of \$9.80.

THE GENERAL'S CUP.—Presented by Major General Villiers Hutton, C.B. For Horses 14 hands 1 inch and over. Weight for 10 stone for 14 lbs. 10 lb. if over that height. Weight for inches as per scale of 8 lbs. per inch. Aras and Indian Country Breds allowed 4 lb. Entrance \$10, to go to Second Horse. One Mile.

Mr J. Lambert's Clare, 11st 8lb (Mr Johnston) 1
129th Baluchis Subalterns' Baluchi, 10st 10lb (Mr Mackie) 2
129th Baluchis Subalterns' Queen of Scots, 11st 2lb (Mr Hamer) 3
Mr McLean's Starlight, 10st 12lb (Mr Gresson) 0
Major Parker's Fireaway, 10st (Mr Dupree) 0

Clare, on the rails, set off in great style, with Queen of Scots and Starlight in attendance, but shaking them off after passing the first bend obtained a lead of several lengths. Baluchi soon disappeared for first place, while he gained going up the hill. Clare seemed to be out of the running at the village, but in the straight snatched the honours from Baluchi and passed the post three or four lengths ahead. Time 2.09. The Pari-Mutuel paid \$6.80 and \$8.10 respectively on winners, and a dividend of \$9.

THE "TRUMPET" CUP.—Presented. For all China Ponies that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Grifflins allowed 5 lb. Subscription Grifflins allowed 7 lb. Off-Day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In.

Father O'Flynn's Donnybrook, 11st 1lb (Mr Gresson) 1
Mr Cruickshank's Mikosh, 11st 1lb (Mr Johnston) 2
Mr S. P. C.'s Blue Nile, 11st 1lb (Mr Johnston) 3
Mr Reinhold's Saxonia, 10st 1lb (Mr Mackie) 0
Mr Drysdale's Beauclaire, 11st 1lb (Mr Dupree) 0
Mr G. Owen's Grafton, 10st 12lb (Mr Leslie) 0

The field got a good start, and as the ponies passed the post for the first time the order was Beauclaire first, Blue Nile second and Mikosh and Grafton racing together in third place. Passing the football stand Donnybrook drew into second place, and was leading when the rock was reached. Beauclaire pulled level with him as the village was passed and they entered the straight racing neck and neck, with Blue Nile and Mikosh hard behind. The home run was a willing one and Donnybrook was the first to pass the post, with Mikosh second and Blue Nile third. Time—2.39.2.5. The Pari-Mutuel paid \$9 on the first; \$7 on the second, and \$11.40 on the third pony. Dividend \$42.7.

THE "BOSS" CUP.—Presented. For all Grifflins that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced Ponies allowed 5 lb. Off-Day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. Three-Quarters of a Mile.

Mr Ellis Kadorie's Korean Chief, 10st 7lb (Mr Johnston) 1
Mr Dugger's Old Boy, 11st 1lb (Mr Leslie) 2
Messrs T. F. Hough and R. Shawan's The Quail, 11st 4lb (Mr Mackie) 3
Mr Cruickshank's New Boy, 11st 1lb (Mr Johnston) 0

This was an excellent race. From the start Korean Chief took the lead, Old Boy following, and New Boy and The Quail bringing up the rear. Old Boy drew closer to the Chief going up the incline, but was unable to catch him, although he struggled hard going up the straight. Korean Chief passed the winning post a length ahead, Old Boy being second and The Quail third. Time—1.41.3.5. The Pari payments were: first, \$7.50; second, \$10.50; dividend, \$14.30.

THE "KNIGHTS" CUP.—Value \$350. Presented. For Subscription Grifflins that have started on the Off-Day and not won a Race. Unplaced ponies on the Off-Day allowed 5 lb. Weight for inches as per scale. Half a Mile. Entrance fee \$10 to go to second pony.

H. E. the Governor's Shimoseito, 10st 10lb (Mr Johnston) 1
Mr A. C. Hynes' Sirocco, 10st 7lb (Mr Johnston) 2
Messrs T. F. Hough and R. Shawan's Promised Land, 10st 12lb (Mr Mackie) 3
Mr S. H. Michael's Rising Sun, 10st 10lb (Mr Johnston) 0
Messrs T. F. Hough and R. Shawan's Skirl, 10st 9lb (Mr Johnston) 0
Mr E. Goetz's Rabbit, 10st 4lb (Mr Johnston) 0
Mr Magpie's Soup Meat, 11st 2lb (Mr Johnston) 0
Mr Magpie's Velocity, 10st 12lb (Mr Johnston) 0

129th Baluchis Subalterns' Baluchi, 10st 4lb (Mr Hamer) 0
A great surprise awaited the backers in this race. H. E. the Governor's Shimoseito, on account of previous performances had been shunned, but as the unexpected happens, so did Shimoseito win the Knight's Cup. After two false starts the field got a bad one. Shimoseito took the lead, and maintained it until the winning post was passed, Sirocco, the favourite, running second and Promised Land third. Time 1.06.2.5. The Pari-Mutuel paid a dividend of \$103.10, and \$28.40 on the first, \$7.50 on the second, and \$18.20 on the third pony.

THE S. S. "HSINKONG."

Messrs. S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd. Shanghai, have completed at their Pootung Works the steel screw steamer *Hsin-kong*, built for the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Co. to the design and under the supervision of Mr. T. Weir, the Company's marine superintendent. The hull is of steel, designed for the China coast trade, and is of the following dimensions:

Length over all... 289.6
Breadth moulded... 40.6
Height of Bridge Deck... 7.3
Main to Lower Deck... 7.0
Bridge (length)... 88.0
Length between Perpendiculars... 270.0
Depth moulded to Main Deck... 21.6
Height of Shade Deck... 7.0
Top Gallant Forecastle (length)... 38.0
Poop Deck (length)... 42.0
The vessel is divided into seven watertight compartments, comprising the machinery space, which is amidships, three cargo holds, two water-ballast tanks, which are also arranged to carry cargo, and fore and aft peaks. The whole of the two decks, before and abaft the machinery, which extends the full width of the ship, is available for cargo, having four hatches with cargo stages in hold, eight cargo ports, and every facility for rapid handling of cargo. The main and lower decks are of steel throughout. The poop, bridge and forecastle decks are sheathed with teak and the shade deck over the bridge with Oregon pine having teak covering boards enclosed by iron railing. A bulwark 3 ft. high is carried up between top-gallant forecastle and bridge and between poop and bridge, in which are fitted eight cargo gangways. On the main deck three steam whirling winches and one horizontal winch, by Messrs. Clarke, Chapman & Co., Ltd., are arranged alongside the four hatches, the latter is fitted for making up ship to wharves.

A powerful steam windlass and capstan combined, by same makers, is fitted on the top-gallant forecastle for working Hall's patent steelless anchors and speedy manœuvring of vessel, with appliances for rapid mooring. The forecastle is fitted up for crew and firemen and the lower forecastle for petty officers and stores.

The accommodation on the bridge, is arranged for forty second class Chinese passengers, two berths in each room. Chief commander's room, two galleys, scullery and water closets. The poop has four 2nd class Chinese passengers' rooms and forty-four open berths for 3rd class Chinese passengers.

Accommodation for 1st class passengers is fitted on the bridge deck, consisting of saloon, which is tastefully panelled in cedar pine with hardwood pilasters and painted white and gold, three state rooms, pantry, galley, scullery, store-room, bath and water closet; also rooms for chief mate, chief engineer forward, and for 2nd mate, 2nd and 3rd engineers, mess room, bath and water closet, steward, steward's store and boys' aft. On shade deck the captain's room and wheelhouse are fitted with four life-boats. The dinghy and outboard are housed on the poop. A set of steam steering gear by Messrs. Caldwell & Co., Ltd., is fitted in the engine room and operated from the wheel-house and flying bridge, and screw steering gear by John Hattie & Co., Ltd., is fitted aft on the poop.

There is a complete installation of electric light throughout the vessel on the double wire return system, consisting of one hundred and sixty-two lights, including mast head, side lights and four cargo clusters. The dynamo and engine, by Messrs. Clarke, Chapman & Co., Ltd., is fitted in the engine room.

The deck fittings and equipment are most complete and include water service, which can be used in case of fire, steam heating; ventilators, skylights, sidelights, accommodation ladders, etc.

The propelling machinery consists of one set of triple expansion, surface condensing, direct acting engines, having cylinders 19½ inches, 31½ inches and 53 inches diameter, by 36 inches stroke, and are designed for a working pressure of 180 lbs. per square inch; steam being supplied by two large cylindrical return tube steel boilers, 14ft. diameter by 10ft. 6in. long, designed for a working pressure of 180 lbs. per square inch, and tested to 320 lbs. per square inch. The main engines, built by Messrs. S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd., embrace all the best features of modern design, including cast steel conical pistons, expansion levers to each set of valve gear, "All round" steam reversing gear, easy means of access and overhauling and large bearing surfaces. The cylinders rest on mild steel tapered columns back and front, with condenser supported at back, and arranged to suit the Messrs. G. & J. Weir, Ltd. dry air pump installation, which is the first fitted in the Far East, and possesses many advantages, not the least being the removal of all pumps from main engines and consequent absence of pump levers, etc.; in this case the pump is placed on top of centrifugal pump cylinder and driven by continuation of piston rod, immediately below the condenser are two vertical single cylinder steam pumps for drawing off condensed water and discharging to Weir's direct contact feed heater, which a pair of Weir's boiler feed pumps discharge to main boilers.

The centrifugal pump for circulating water through condensers is of Messrs. Drysdale & Co.'s make and driven direct by single cylinder vertical engine, a large steam ballast pump, also steam sanitary pump of Messrs. G. & J. Weir, Ltd., make being fitted in the engine room. The pumping arrangements are most complete and arranged for two separate pumps being available for every duty; to assist this idea being carried out, Messrs. G. & O. Weir, Ltd., supplied a separate "Stand-by" independent dry air pump driven direct by vertical steam engine. The main bilge pumps, two in number, are placed horizontal on engine seat, and driven direct by main crank shaft with arrangement for overhauling one while the other is working. A Hooking patent distiller of 1,000 gallons capacity per 24 hours is fitted on an upper platform of the engine room, steam being supplied by donkey boiler, with filter and distilled water connection to storage tank. The main boilers, built by Messrs. S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd., are of large power for the speed of the ship and designed to British Board of Trade requirements for a working pressure of 160 lbs. per square inch. They possess all the latest improvements in boiler making, the shell plates being in one continuous length and end plates flanged by special machinery, they are fitted with the usual mountings and placed thwartship, with a large roomy stokehole at the after end. The donkey boiler, built by Messrs. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd., is of the Cochran type, 13ft. 6in. high by 6ft. diameter, and is designed for a working pressure of 100 lbs. per square inch, and placed in a recess between engine room and stokehole. It is fitted with separate feed donkey and usual mountings to allow of steam being supplied to dynamo, winches, steering engine, windlass, heaters and all auxiliary pumps, etc. All other engine room fittings are most complete, and include a large stock of spare gear, outfit, Chubb's telegraph to bridge, oil tanks, etc. The vessel is schooner rigged, having two steel pole masts with a complete set of fore and aft sails and awnings; four ordinary cargo derricks and one heavy derrick capable of lifting four tons. She is built to the British corporation's highest class to meet the Hongkong Government Survey and British Board of Trade requirements.

The launching ceremony took place on the 10th inst.; but the vessel did not actually take to the water until afterwards, probably on the 12th.

VICEROY SHUM.

Students of psychology cannot fail to be interested, writes the *N.C. Daily News*, in the case of the present Acting Viceroy of the Two Kiang. His father, Tsun Yu-ying, was Viceroy of Yunnan, and it was he who put down the Mahomedan rebellion with such an unsparring and ruthless hand. He practised the traditional cruel Chinese methods of pacification, methods summed up in one word, extermination; he actually "made a solitude, and called it peace," and Yunnan has not yet recovered. It has always been believed that it was by his direct orders that Mr. A. R. Margary, whose monument stands at the corner of the Reserve Garden, was murdered; and it was the then Consul Darnley's dearest wish that that monument should be erected in the grounds of the British Consulate, so that every Chinese official who visited the Consulate should be obliged to pass under it. Having put down the rebellion, H. E. Tsun Yu-ying ruled Yunnan as an absolute autocrat, by terror.

His elder son, H. E. Tsun Chunshun, [whom we call "Shum"] was given an honorary degree, on account of his father's services to the Throne, and his first employment was in 1892 as sub-Director of the Court of Imperial Entertainments. In the following year he became Director of the Imperial Stud. These appointments were more or less sinecures, but in 1898 he was given active work as Provincial Treasurer of Kuangtung. In December of the same year he was removed to the same post in Kansu. In 1900 he was made Governor of Shensi, although he did not conceal the fact that his principles were so opposed to those of his father that he was one of the leaders from his rank, of the Reform party in the Empire. In 1901 he was transferred to Shansi as Governor, where he was supreme in his province, Shansi being one of the three provinces that have no Viceroy. He was so successful as a Governor, so popular with all, and such a successful administrator, that in 1902 he received the high honour of having a Yellow Jacket conferred upon him. In the same year he was sent as Governor to Kuangtung, and in 1903 was made Acting Viceroy of the Two Kiang; being a native of Kuangsi, he could not be given the substantive post; but his fame as a man of intelligence, enlightenment, and vigour was so well established that he was specially sent to Canton to put down the so-called rebellion in his native province. His appointment was hailed with delight by the Cantonese; for he made himself so popular when he was Provincial Treasurer at Canton that when the news came that he was to be transferred, the people built a wall of bags full of rice in front of the gate of his yamen to prevent his leaving them. Gradually, however, the exercise of the arbitrary power of life and death, and the difficulties he has had in dealing with the corruption and incompetence rampant in the civil and military administration of his two provinces, have entirely changed his nature. He has retained his ability to govern, but the inherited bloodthirstiness in his character has come to the surface. He has been ruthless in his dealing with the so-called rebels in Kuangsi, and in his chastisement of the corrupt officials under him; he did not hesitate as we reported some time ago, to publicly drink the blood of a bandit whose execution he was attending; and from being the most popular official he has now become the best hated man, by foreigners and natives alike, in the two southern provinces. Having scorned when he went to Canton to avail himself of the illegitimate sources of revenue exploited by some of his predecessors, and having to meet the expense of constant and protracted expeditions against the rebels in

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Kuangsi, his treasury has been badly supplied, and he has had to impose taxes which have alienated his people. He has shown himself lately a violent enemy of foreigners; he has made no real efforts to suppress the boycott; he turns a deaf ear to the representations of the foreign Consuls, and refuses, under the plea of sickness, even to see them; and on the same plea he evades attendance at the banquets which his position obliges him to give from time to time. One of his latest exploits has been to seize a large quantity of coal belonging to an official whom he has cashiered and whose property he has confiscated, this coal being mortgaged to a foreign bank in Hongkong; but he will listen to no remonstrances. The origin Consuls, American especially, can get nothing out of him. Having been forced to buy back the Canton-Hankow railway from the American syndicate [he, our contemporary repeats the history so well known to *Daily Press* readers, quoting from our Canton correspondence]. We have written so fully [our contemporary continues], because foreigners are seriously interested. A rising against the Viceroy in Canton will be disastrous to foreigners on Shamen and so foreign commerce; and the Viceroy has so completely turned his back on his former friendliness to foreigners that his present obduracy may have to be forcibly corrected. His remaining in power at Canton is impossible. It is reported in the south that the Viceroy is going with his family to Japan as soon as he can get leave.

OUR POPULAR GOVERNOR.

We have given some extracts from, and an opinion of, the new Hongkong Civil Service List, and now add the following well-expressed appreciation written by the Hongkong correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News*:—
One of the most concise books I have ever read—almost as concise as a code telegram—was published here in December last by H. E. the Governor of Hongkong. It is entitled a "Historical and Statistical Abstract of the Colony of Hongkong." It starts with the year 1801, and continues the history down to the end of 1904. It is almost impossible to give a synopsis without giving the entire work, for, as hinted above, the book itself is a synopsis. At a glance the student can find out for himself from the same page—such is the arrangement of the work—that is required in regard to all important facts of History, Legislation, Education, Trade and Industries, Shipping, Emigration, Immigration, Revenue, Expenditure, Distribution of Expenditure, Rateable Value of Property, Temperature, Rainfall, Population, Deaths per thousand, Criminal Statistics, Volunteers, and Regular Defence. It may safely be assumed that nothing so comprehensive and complete has appeared from the printing presses of Hongkong since they were first set up. It would seem from the brief preface that the head of each department has been requisitioned to furnish the necessary data for each separate branch of the book, and so we have the whole, comprehensive, accurate, and handy, in the present form. The community of Hongkong, indeed the whole of the people of the Far East who are interested in the past development, and wide-awake as to the opportunities of the future, have been placed under a deep debt of gratitude to H.E. the Governor, who has found the time amidst his many other duties to compile and edit this most excellent work. Since he assumed his duties here in July, 1904, he has been ever popular with all classes, seeing that he has devoted himself to his duties with conspicuous abilities and energy. By means of this abstract, he further shows that he has a firm and clear grasp of all that pertains to the past history of the island, and that he is willing to place this useful knowledge in the hands of all who seek enlightenment.

A Nanking dispatch states that Viceroy Chou Fu, of Nanking, has telegraphed to the Waiwu-pu asking the Board's sanction to his proposed appointment of Mr. John Goodnow, former U.S. Consul-General at Shanghai, to be his Excellency's special adviser on international matters.

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [322]

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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NOTICE

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THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th Feb. to 3rd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors. A. MOONRY, Secretary. Hongkong, 19th February, 1906. 439

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 26th day of February, 1906, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years commencing from the 22nd day of January, 1906, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years. 440

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Locality	Area in Acres	Annual Rent
1	At the end of the Victoria Road, Kowloon	1.00	100
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Action No. 32 of 1905 IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BETWEEN MOK TONG alias YES ON TONG, LAI TUNG alias LAI WANG TUNG, CHAN MUI KAI alias CHAN MUI KAI alias CHAN SHU CHUNG TUNG, CHAN HON PING alias CHAN CHUNG HING TUNG and KWAN CHU KIN alias KWAN SZ KIN TUNG Plaintiffs, and SO LAI TUNG alias SO KWA TUNG, NG KONG SHEN alias NG CHONG SHUN TUNG, NG KAM SANG alias NG FOK ON TUNG, MOK TUN SANG alias MOK YAT SANG TUNG, CHOW HUI SHUN TUNG, NG SHUN ON TUNG, CHENG SHAT SHAN, LAU SHI KAN, NG HOK YUNG, HUI SHI IN TUNG, CHU LONG SHAN alias CHU SHI FUK TUNG and NG FAN Defendants.

To the above-named Defendants, NG KAM SANG alias NG FOK ON TUNG, NG HOK YUNG and CHENG SHAT SHAN.

TAKE NOTICE that this action was on the 3rd day of November, 1905, commenced against you and that the Plaintiffs by their Writ of Summons claim for an account of the partnership dealings and transactions between themselves and the other above-named Defendants in the KWONG HING CHEUNG firm carried on in co-partnership by the Plaintiffs and you and the other Defendants at No. 29, Wing Wo Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, as Manila Agents and Merchants, and to have the affairs of the said partnership wound up, and that the Court has, by an Order dated the 10th February, authorised service of the said Writ of Summons on you by the insertion of three advertisements on consecutive days in this paper and two Chinese Newspapers in circulation in this Colony and by posting a copy of the said Order and the Writ of Summons herein at the door of the Supreme Court House, Victoria aforesaid.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that you are required to appear to the said Writ of Summons within 8 days after the insertion of the last of the said notices in manner aforesaid inclusive of the day of such last insertion and that in default of your so doing the Plaintiffs may proceed ex parte.

Dated the 17th day of February, 1906. O. D. THOMSON, Solicitor for the Plaintiffs. 431

ENTERTAINMENTS

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A Comic Opera in Three Acts,

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M. S. NORTHGOTE,

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Hongkong, 12th February, 1906. 407

AUCTIONS

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Sale of Race Ponies by Public Auction as

under:

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY),

the 20th February, 1906, at 4 p.m., opposite the

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and on

WEDNESDAY,

the 21st February, 1906, at 4 p.m., at

KENNEDY'S CANNONWAY BAY, REPOSITORY,

Opposite the

FIFTY LOTS.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. 425

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

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application at the Government Gunpowder

Depot, Green Island.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 432

THE HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S

SOCIETY.

THE SCOTTISH HISTORY EXAMIN-

ATION (advertised in August last) for

CHILDREN of Scottish Parentage, will be held

in the CITY HALL on THURSDAY, 8th

March.

Names of intending Competitors should be

sent to the undersigned, who will be pleased to

supply any further particulars which may be

required.

W. ARMSTRONG,

Hon. Secretary

(Care of Butterfield and Swire)

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 428

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the

REGISTER OF SHARES of the

Corporation will be CLOSED from SATUR-

DAY, the 10th, to the 24th day of February

(both days inclusive), during which period no

Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. 333

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LD.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY

ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders

in the Company will be held in the OFFICE

of the General Managers, St. George's Building,

Victoria, on SATURDAY, 24th FEBRUARY,

1906, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving

a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the

General Managers for the year ending 31st

December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and

electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 20th

February, until SATURDAY, the 24th

February, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers. 362

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the

ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY

MEETING of the Shareholders in this

Corporation will be held at the City Hall,

Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of

February, 1906, at Noon, for the purpose of

receiving the Report of the Court of Directors

together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st

December, 1905.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. 331

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING

of Shareholders will be held in the

OFFICES of the COMPANY, Queen's

Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the

26th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon,

for the purpose of receiving the Report of the

Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the

31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th

February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

THOS. I. ROSE,

Secretary. Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. 319

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY

ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders

in the above Company will be held at the

OFFICES of the COMPANY, King's Buildings,

Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY,

the 7th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon,

to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st

December, 1905, and the Report of the General

Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee

and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 21st February to

the 7th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. 411

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO.,

LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY

MEETING of Shareholders in the

Company will be held at the Company's Office,

No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on

THURSDAY, the 8th March, 1906, at 12

o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a

Statement of Accounts and the Report of the

Directors for the year ending 31st December,

1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

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Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. [163]

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Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905. 108

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. 77

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CAINE ROAD, Nos. 57 and 58.
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PRAYA EAST, No. 30 (Godown).
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SAM WANG CO., LD.,
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Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. 366

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. 290

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Hongkong, 4th March, 1906. 84

TO LET.

TWO ROOMS on the Ground Floor of the house, from 1st September next, suitable for Office. For particulars apply to the undersigned.
O. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1905. 110

TO LET.

NO. 1, DES VEXES VILLAS, Peak.
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The radium clock described some months ago by the Hon. R. J. Strutt is now manufactured by a London chemist. It consists essentially of a small glass tube in which a twelfth of a grain of radium is supported by a rod of quartz in an exhausted glass vessel, the lower end of the tube containing an electroscope of two aluminum films. Treatment with phosphoric acid renders the surface of the glass conductive. The positive charge received from the radium expands the leaves of the electroscope until they touch the sides of the tube, when they are discharged to earth and the leaves fall together. This is repeated at intervals of one minute, the estimate being that action will continue several thousand years.

The tails of comets are found by Prof. Barnard to be shaped by several causes in addition to the sun's repulsion. Short, straight minor tails, issuing from the nucleus at considerable angles to the main tail, seem to be due to an eruptive force of the comet itself, and the rapid deflections or distortions of the tail or its suggest the existence of some resisting medium that is not evenly distributed through inter-planetary space.

In the rabid treatment of Tizzoni and Bongiovanni, Italian physicians, radium has had effective action both upon the virus and the animals. Exposure to radium rays has converted the virus into very active vaccine, protecting animals against deadly inoculation with virus.

In radium, we are told, has been found the philosopher's stone of the alchemist's dream. It may not transmute the base metals into gold and silver, but it seems to have opened the gates to the secrets of Nature's laboratory, showing us that uranium may be a parent substance, and that radium itself breaks up into helium and perhaps lead. Mr. Donald Murray, of London, has brought to notice curious groupings of metals that suggest further transmutations. Lead and silver are almost invariably found together in mines, although they have little chemical attraction, and there are rumors for inferring that silver is a disintegration product of lead. In the same way we may conclude that copper is changing to gold. This view is meeting with approval, and a long ridiculed idea is gradually developing into a fundamental principle of twentieth century science.

Balloon soundings have shown surprisingly low temperatures in the upper air. At St. Louis, in December, 1901, A. L. Roth recorded 122 degrees below zero at 45,544 feet; while at Vienna, R. Nimmich, on March 2, 1905, obtained a record of 121 degrees below zero at only 31,872 feet. Midsummer seems to come in October and midwinter in April. This is thought to have an important effect at the earth's surface, as the cold, heavy, overlying stratum gives the atmosphere unstable equilibrium, producing the variable weather of early spring, while in October the upper stratum is warmer and that at the surface cooler, this stable condition yielding more even weather.

Silver has been thrown out by volcanoes in two instances recorded by J. W. Mallet. Ash from an eruption of Cotopaxi in 1855 showed one part of silver in 83,000, and that ejected in 1856 by Tungurahua, in the Andes of Ecuador contained one part of silver in 107,201.

The ocean contains about 2,139 grains of salt and other solids per gallon, and the Dead Sea about 19,700 grains per gallon.

Electrical currents constantly traverse the earth in a general but varying direction from north-west to south-east, at an angle of about 70 degrees with the geographical meridian. A Belgian astronomer, M. Guarnini, contends

that these currents are due to the action of the sun and the earth with its atmosphere as a gigantic dynamo, the sun being the magnetic inductor and the earth the revolving armature with the atmosphere and the superficial crust as two windings. The earth's rotation develops a contrary, or east to west, current in the atmosphere, which induces a contrary, or west to east, current in the crust. M. Guarnini believes that a large amount of current could be passed through a motor of low resistance, and made to yield a large amount of power for industrial use.

The low efficiency of the steam-engine tempts inventors with great possibilities of saving fuel. M. Cantor, a European engineer, has hit upon an altogether new form of heat engine, and proposes to use for power the expansion of the gas produced by the burning of liquid fuel—like petroleum and alcohol—when sprayed upon a white-hot oxidizing material, like oxide of copper. The oxygen removed from the copper oxide would be restored by an air-jet. Pending a practical test, it is claimed that the highest possible rate of expansion would be produced in the working gas, and that a greatly increased thermodynamic efficiency would be secured.

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SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich George and Co., in their weekly share list, dated February 17th, say:—The Race holidays have almost completely stopped business in shares, and even now there is practically nothing doing, although the market is steady to firm for most stocks. The sterling demand rate on London closes at 2s. 0½d, while rates on Shanghai are 1½s. 7½d for T-14 and 1½s. 72 for 3 days' sight private paper. Barsilver in London is quoted 30½d, and Consols 99½.

BAKERS' SHARES.—A small lot of Hongkong and Shanghai Bakers' shares at 88½, but more are on offer; the London rate is 8½s 10s; Nationals are unchanged.

MINING INSURANCE SHARES.—A few United sold at 57½, closing with buyers at 57½. China Traders sold at 80 to 81, and have buyers now at 80½; North China remain at 1½s. 92½, while Yangtze have improved to buyers at 1½s. 75 and cautious to buyers at 83½.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong are quoted at 100 and reduced to 98½; Overseas at 100 and reduced to 98½.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship shares changed hands at 82½ and 81, and have sellers at 82½.

INDUSTRY.—China Sugars sold at 82½ for end of the month, also at equivalent rates further ahead, closing with cash sellers at 82½. Luzon improved further, selling as high as 84, but at that rate shares are on offer.

MINING SHARES.—Rauha have sellers at 83.80.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's shares are quoted at 5½s 6½; Peverly at 5½s 6½. New any Dock are unchanged. Furnishers have improved to buyers at 1½s. 134; Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company shares sold in small lots at 108 and 107½ and a fairly large lot at 106; the market closes with sellers at 107½. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have sellers at 1½s. 230.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have sellers at 120. Kowloon Lands at 87 and West Point at 85. Hongkong Hotels are quiet at 84½. Hongkong's Estate have sellers at 82½ and the dividend of 60 cents per share paid on 12th instant. Shanghai Lands have receded to 1½s. 115.

COTTON MILLS.—Rhos are up to 1½s. 54; other mills unchanged.

SUNDRY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electric can be placed at 16½ for old and 15½ for new shares. Green Island Cement shares sold at rates ranging between 81 and 83½ and close with buyers at 81½; Lee Company shares unchanged at 83½; the final dividend of 15 cents per share paid yesterday.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Providents sold at 88½, but have further sellers. Hongkong High-Level Tramway Shares are wanted at 2½s. Luncheon have improved to 1½s. 2½s buyers; A.S. Watson sold at 1½s. Other stocks under this heading unchanged.

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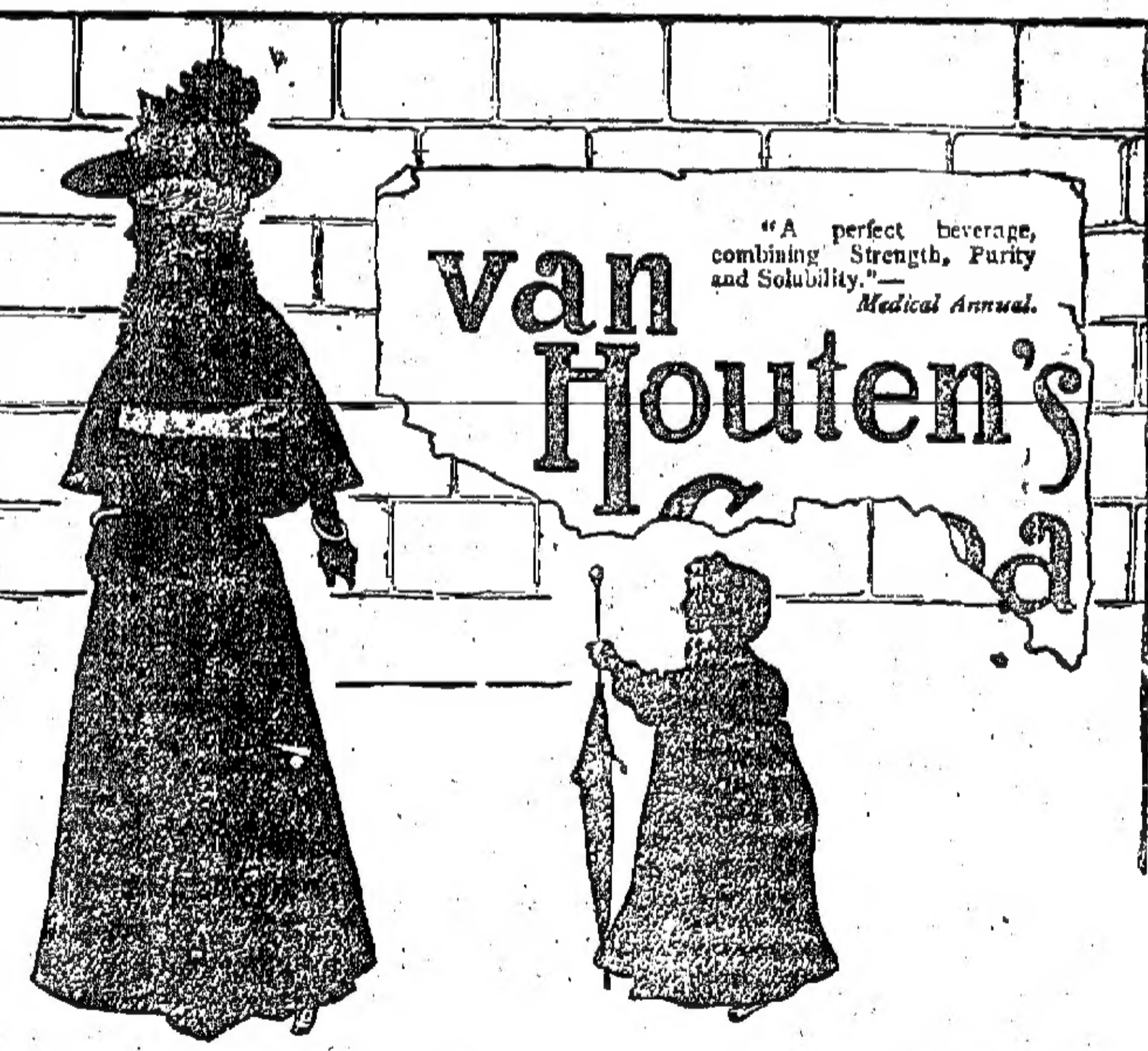
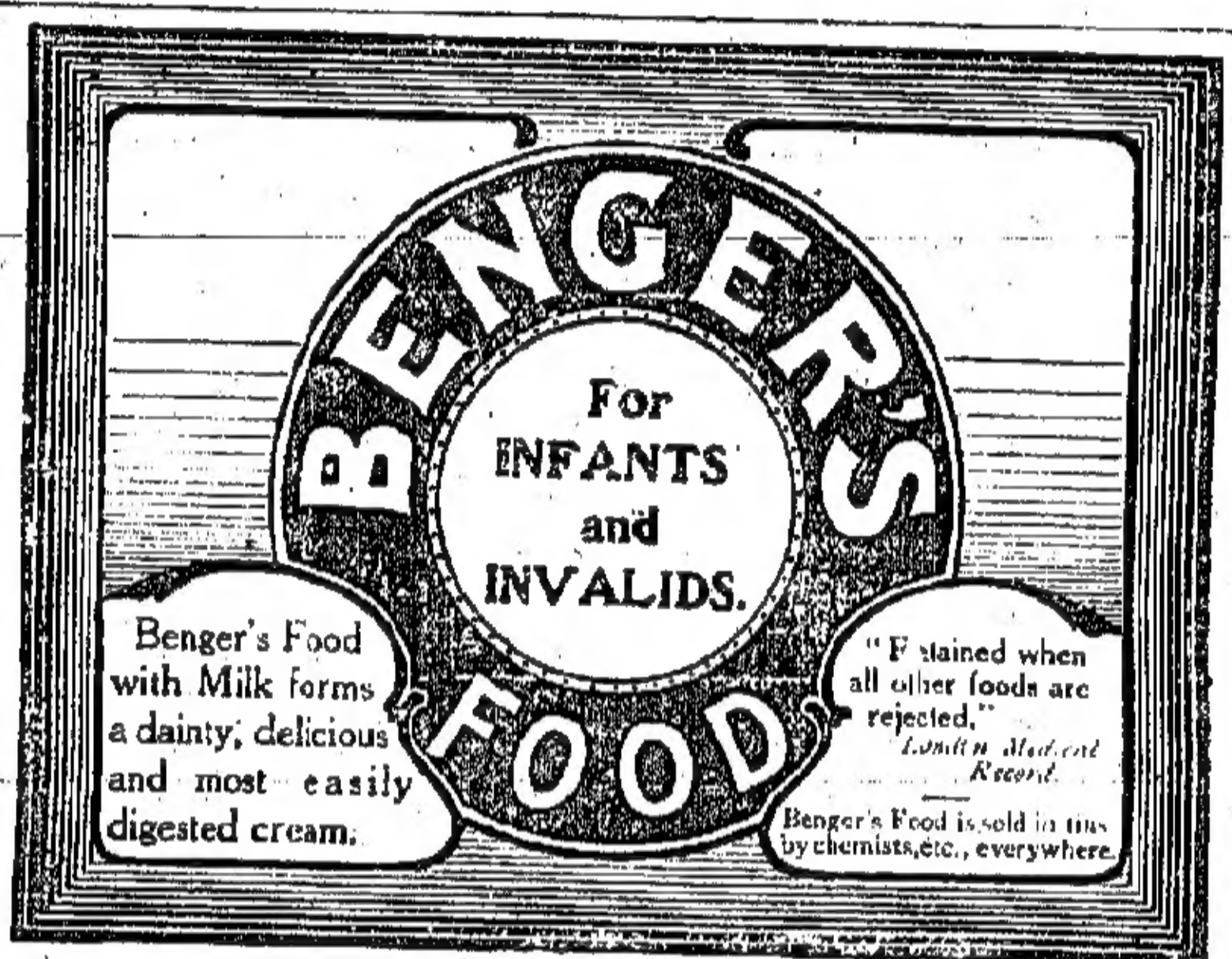
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TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG via Vancouver or San Francisco to New York by the C.P.R. Co.'s steamers P.M.S.S. Co. O. & S.S. Co., T. K. K. and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following Rates:—
To London via Plymouth or Southampton 1st Class \$82.00, 2nd Class \$52.00, 3rd Class \$32.00.
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For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1906.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.
PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS
FOR
MARSEILLES AND LONDON.
TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
COLOMBO	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON 2 days earlier	MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
DELHI	10000	MOLDAVIA	10000	Mar. 24
DONGOLA	8000	MONGOLIA	10000	Mar. 24
DELTA	8000	MOOLTAN	10000	Mar. 24
OCEANA	7000	MARMORA	10000	Mar. 24
ARCADIA	7000	VICTORIA	7000	Mar. 24
DEVANHA	8000	HIMALAYA	7000	Mar. 24
DELHI	8000	INDIA	8000	Mar. 24

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and then to Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:—
INTERMEDIATE (non-transshipment) STEAMERS
WILL LEAVE FOR
LONDON.

STEAMERS	Leave	Leave	Due at
	HONGKONG	SINGAPORE	LONDON
JAPAN	Feb. 14	Feb. 23	Mar. 31
SUMATRA	Feb. 25	Mar. 9	Apr. 14
NUBIA	Mar. 14	Mar. 24	Apr. 28
JAVA	Mar. 25	Apr. 6	May 12
FORMOSA	Apr. 11	Apr. 29	May 26

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.
"SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.
"JAPAN," "JAVA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.
For Passage apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1906.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAH	JAVA	Second half of February	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of February
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	Second half of February	JAVA PORTS	Second half of February
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half of March	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of March
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.
For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the
HEAD AGENCY OF THE
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.
Telephone No. 375.

Yok Buildings, 1st Floor.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1906.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
THE Company's Steamship
"OCEANIC,"
Captain Courlet, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 19th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1906.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

FOR BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, SOERABAJA & MACASSAR
(taking cargo to all ports in Netherlands India on through Bill of Lading).

THE Steamship
"TJILIWONG,"
Captain Zuurman, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 26th February.
For information as to Freight and Passage, apply to the
Head Agent of the
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.
(Yok Buildings, 1st Floor).
Hongkong, 15th February, 1906.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR
TRIESTE (DIRECT),
CALLING AT SINGAPORE, PENANG, KANGAROO, COLOMBO, HAMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, Red Sea, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship
"AUSTRIA,"
Captain Coladani, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th March.
This Steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor and stewardsess.
For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.
Princes' Buildings.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906.

Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s
SPECIAL BLEND WHISKY.
SHIPPERS
Cutler, Palmer & Co., London.
AGENTS
SIEMSEN & CO.,
HONGKONG.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Oceanic*, with the French mail for the 19th January, left Saigon, on Friday, the 16th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-day. It is packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 19th December.

The *Siberia*, with the American mail left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 14th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per s.s. *Wingchait* on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for MACAO is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, NANTAO, SANBUE, *KONGMOON, *KUNCHUK, *SAMSHUI, and *WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m. *No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Kowloon	Monday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Tsingtau and Vladivostok	Kowloon	Tuesday, 20th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hutching	Tuesday, 20th, 10.00 A.M.
Printed Matter and Samples		
Registration, 9.00 A.M.		
Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 9.30 A.M.		
Registration, Kowloon B.O.		
No late fee		
Letters		
Tuesday, 20th, 10.00 A.M.		
Printed Matter and Samples		
Registration, 10.00 A.M.		
Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.		
Registration, Kowloon B.O.		
No late fee		
Letters		
Tuesday, 20th, 11.00 A.M.		
Tuesday, 21st, 8.00 P.M.		
Tuesday, 21st, 9.00 P.M.		
Wednesday, 21st, 2.00 P.M.		
Wednesday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.		
Wednesday, 21st, 11.00 A.M.		
Wednesday, 21st, 4.00 P.M.		
Thursday, 22nd, 2.00 P.M.		
Thursday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.		
Friday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.		
Friday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.		
Saturday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.		

Meeting of Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, 8.45 p.m.
Regular Meeting of the Eastern Market Lodge, Freemasons' Hall, 8.30 for 9 p.m.
Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, City Hall, 8 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Ponies, opposite City Hall, Messrs. Harries & Hough, 4 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

On LONDON—February 17th.	
Telegraphic Transfer	204 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	204 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	204 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	204 1/2
Credit, at 4 months sight	204 1/2
Documentary Bills, 4 months sight	204 1/2
On PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	260 1/2
Credit, at 4 months sight	260 1/2
On GERMANY—	
On demand	212 1/2
On NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, on demand	50 1/2
Credit, 30 days sight	51 1/2
On AMSTERDAM—	
Telegraphic Transfer	154
Bank, on demand	154 1/2
On CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	154
Bank, on demand	154 1/2
On SHANGHAI—	
Bank, at sight	71 1/2
Yokohama, 30 days sight	72 1/2
On YOKOHAMA—On demand	101 1/2
On MANILA—On demand	101 1/2
On BANGKOK—On demand	14 p.m.
On BATAVIA—On demand	124 1/2
On HAIKOW—On demand	2 p.m.
On SAIGON—On demand	2 p.m.
On BANGKOK—On demand	61 1/2
GOVERNMENT BANK'S BUYING RATE	9.00
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	51.10
BAR SILVER, per oz.	30 1/2

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Quotations are—	Allowance not to be taken.
Malwa New	\$1010 to — per picul.
Malwa Old	\$1070 to —
Malwa Older	\$1130 to —
Malwa V. Old	\$1260 to —
Perianthe quality \$1100 to	
Perianthe extra fine \$1150 to	
Patna New	\$880 to — per sheet.
Patna Old	\$870 to —
Bombay New	\$850 to —
Bombay Old	\$840 to —

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
The M.M. str. *Oceanic* left Saigon on the 16th Feb., at 5 p.m., for this port.
THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P.M. str. *Siberia* left Yokohama on the 14th Feb., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 24th Feb.
THE GERMAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Bayern* will leave Colombo on the 21st Feb., (being delayed for 4 days owing to late arrival).
RUSSIAN STEAMERS.
The A.L. str. *Prozia* left Singapore for this port, and is expected here to-day.
The H.A.L. str. *Silesia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 13th Feb., a.m., and may be expected here on to-day, p.m.
The P. & O. str. *Java* left Singapore for this port on the 13th Feb., at 8 a.m.
The P. & O. str. *Formosa* left Singapore for this port on the 14th Feb., at 10 a.m.
The H.A.L. str. *Bavaria*, with German troops for Vladivostok on board, left Colombo for this port on the 9th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 20th Feb., a.m.
The N.Y.K. str. *Yakata Maru* (Australian Line) left Nagasaki for this port on the 8th Feb., and is due here on the 20th Feb.
The J.C. str. *Typhoon* left Macassar for this port on the 12th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 20th Feb.
The H.A.L. str. *Benauli* left Singapore on the 14th Feb., and is expected here on the 21st Feb.
The str. *Radnorshire* left Singapore on Wednesday, the 14th Feb., and is due here on or about Wednesday, the 21st Feb.
The J.C. str. *Typhoon* left Kobe via Moji and Amoy for this port on the 14th Feb., and may be expected here on or about 24th Feb.
The Boston S.S. Co.'s str. *Thetis* sailed from Shanghai on the 10th Feb. for Hongkong and Manila.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, February 17th.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	\$200	\$100.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$12 1/2	\$89 1/2, sellers
National B. of China	128. 61.	\$84, sellers
A. Shares	25	\$38, buyers
Bank of Communications	128. 61.	\$84, sellers
China Light & Power	128. 61.	\$84, sellers
China Provision	128. 61.	\$84, sellers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	Tls. 50	Tls. 51, buyers
Hongkong	Tls. 50	Tls. 51, buyers
International	Tls. 50	Tls. 51, buyers
Laos Kwang Hing	Tls. 50	Tls. 51, buyers
Soyabean	Tls. 50	Tls. 51, buyers
Dairy Farm	Tls. 50	Tls. 51, buyers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farham, B. & Co.	Tls. 100	Tls. 124, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & Co.	\$50	\$107 1/2, sellers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$164 1/2, sellers
New Amoy Dock	\$50	\$17, sellers
S'wai & H. Wharf	Tls. 100	Tls. 230, sellers
Forwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	\$25, buyers
Island Cement	\$10	\$12, buyers
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$10	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$12, buyers
Do. New	\$10	\$12, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	\$10	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$10	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$10	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	\$10	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Waterboat	\$10	\$12, buyers
Insurance—		
Canton	\$50	\$55, buyers
China Fire	\$50	\$55, buyers
China Traders	\$50	\$55, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$55, buyers
North China	\$50	\$55, buyers
Union	\$50	\$55, buyers
Yangtze	\$50	\$55, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	\$100	\$120, sellers
Humphrey's Estate	\$10	\$12, sellers ex. d.
Kowloon Land & B.	\$10	\$12, sellers
Shanghai Land	\$10	\$12, sellers
West Point Building	\$10	\$12, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fcs. 350	\$400.
Roubaix	1310	\$3.50, sellers
Philippine Co.	20	\$5, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$210, sellers
Lazoo Sugar	\$100	\$40.
Steamship Companies		
China and Manila	\$25	\$21, buyers
Douglas Steamship	\$50	\$40, buyers
H. Canton & M.	\$50	\$40, buyers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	\$10	\$57.
Shell Transport Co.	\$10	\$23, sellers
Do. Preference	\$10	\$23, sellers
Star Ferry	\$10	\$32.
Do. New	\$10	\$32, sellers
Shanghai & H. Dyeing	\$10	\$50.
South China M. Post.	\$10	\$20, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	\$10	\$7, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries	\$10	\$5, sellers
Campbell, M. & Co.	\$10	\$38.
Powell & Co., Wm.	\$10	\$11, sales
Watkins	\$10	\$8, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	\$10	\$14.
United Assurance	\$10	\$100.
Do. Founders	\$10	\$100.

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

BANKS

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Viscal Agents of the United States in China the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.

CAPITAL AND RESERVE FUND.
Authorized Capital \$10,000,000
Paid-up Capital \$3,250,000
Reserve Fund \$3,250,000

HEAD OFFICE: New York.
LONDON OFFICE: Threadneedle House, E.C.
Branches and Agents all over the World.

LONDON BANKERS.
NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.
BRITISH LINEN COMPANY BANK.
The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " " "
" 3 " 3 " " " "

H. PINCKNEY, Manager.
2, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong, 20th September, 1905. 262

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK, INCORPORATED IN HONGKONG. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS IS ALLOWED AT 3 PER CENT. PER ANNUM.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. PER ANNUM.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1902

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER)

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 5,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEI, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS:

Amoy	Kobe	Taiwan
Anping	Nagasaki	Tamsui
Foochow	Osaka	Tokio
Keelung	Shanghai	Yokohama

HONGKONG OFFICE:

3, Des Voeux Road.
Interest allowed on Current Account.
Deposits received on terms which may be learned on application.
S. EHIGENAGA, Manager.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1904. [2478]

BANKS

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 20,000,000.
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000.
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000.
RESERVE FUND " 9,240,000.

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS:
Tokyo, Kobe, Nagasaki, Osaka, Yokohama, New York, London, Honolulu, Bombay, San Francisco, Canton, Shanghai, Peking, Mukden, Dairen, Chofu, Tientsin.

LONDON BANKERS.

THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months 4 1/2 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 3 " 3 " " "
TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1905. 27

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1855.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP—£800,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS—£800,000.

RESERVE FUND—£800,000.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.

" 6 " 3 1/2 " " "

" 3 " 3 " " "

" T. P. COCHRANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. 114

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL—\$10,000,000.

RESERVE FUND—\$10,000,000.

STERLING RESERVE—\$10,000,000.

SILVER RESERVE—\$5,000,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS—\$10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

H. A. W. SLADE, Esq., Chairman.

A. HART, Esq., Deputy Chairman.

Hon. C. W. Dickson, Esq., F. Salinger, Esq.

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A. J. Raymond, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER

Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH

Shanghai—H. E. R. Hunter.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of Two per Cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits.

For 3 months 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1905. 23

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL—Sh. Tael 7,500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

Founded by the following Banks and Bankers:

KONIGLICHE SIEDELUNG (PREUSSISCHE STAATSBANK) Berlin.

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BERLINER HANDELS-GESellschaft.

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SAL. OPPENHEIM, JR. & Co., Köln.

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LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SON.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENTS.

DIREKTION DER DISCONTO-GESellschaft.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

HUGO SUTER, Sub-Manager.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1905. [27]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL—£1,500,000.

SUBSCRIBED—£1,250,000.

PAID-UP—£625,000.

RESERVE FUND—£110,000.

BANKERS.

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 12 months 4 1/2 %

" 6 " 4 %

" 3 " 3 %

A. R. LINTON, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. 25

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO & WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD. AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," 2,363 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.
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S.S. "FATSHAN," 2,260 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.
S.S. "HANKOW," 3,073 tons, Captain C. J. Lloyd.
S.S. "KINSHAN," 1,985 tons, Captain J. J. Lessius.

Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8.30 a.m. (Sunday excepted), 9 p.m. and 10.30 p.m. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from Canton to Hongkong daily at 8.30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin Accommodation.

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